House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 5291–5310; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 409–410, and H. Res. 594–595, were introduced. Pages H8199–H8200

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 1795, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering, amended (H. Rept. 106–889);

H.R. 4613, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act for purposes of establishing a national historic lighthouse preservation program, amended (H. Rept. 106–890);

H.R. 1248, to prevent violence against women, amended (H. Rept. 106–891, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3414, a private bill for the relief of Luis A. Leon-Molina, Ligia Padron, Juan Leon Padron, Rendy Leon Padron, Manuel Leon Padron, and Luis Leon Padron (H. Rept. 106–892);

H.R. 3184, a private bill for the relief of Zohreh Farhang Ghahfarokhi (H. Rept. 106–893);

H.R. 848, a private bill for the relief of Sepandan Farnia and Farbod Farnia (H. Rept. 106–894).

H.R. 4835, to authorize the exchange of land between the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of Central Intelligence at the George Washington Memorial Parkway in McLean, Virginia (H. Rept. 106–895, Pt. 1);

H.R. 5036, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 to clarify the areas included in the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park and to authorize appropriations for that park (H. Rept. 106–896);

H.R. 4904, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians, amended (H. Rept. 106–897);

S. 1030, to provide that the conveyance by the Bureau of Land Management of the surface estate to certain land in the State of Wyoming in exchange for certain private land will not result in the removal of the land from operation of the mining laws (H. Rept. 106–898);

S. 426, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, to provide for a land exchange between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Huna Totem Corporation (H. Rept. 106–899);

H.R. 4640, to make grants to States for carrying out DNA analyses for use in the Combined DNA Index System of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to provide for the collection and analysis of DNA samples from certain violent and sexual offenders for

use in such system, amended (H. Rept. 106–900 Pt. 1).

H. Res. 594, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 4365, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to children's health (H. Rept. 106–901); and

H. Res. 595, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 106–902).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Jerry Pruitt of Beloit, Wisconsin.

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Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Monday, Sept. 25 by a yea and nay vote of 332 yeas to 47 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 488.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:20 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. Page H8065

FY 2001 Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 109, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 by a yea and nay vote of 415 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 493. Pages H8114-23

H. Res. 591, the rule that provided for consideration of the joint resolution was agreed to by voice vote.

Pages H8108–14

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Missing Children Tax Fairness: H.R. 5117, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the allowance of the child credit, the deduction for personal exemptions, and the earned income credit for missing children (passed by a yea and nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 489);

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Baylee's Law: H.R. 4519, amended, to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1959 concerning the safety and security of children enrolled in childcare facilities located in public buildings under the control of the General Services Administration. Agreed to amend the title;

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Apollo Exploration Award: H.R. 2572, to direct the Administrator of NASA to design and present an award to the Apollo astronauts (passed by a yea and nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 490);

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Electronic Commerce Enhancement: H.R. 4429, amended, to require the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to assist small and medium-sized manufacturers and other such

businesses to successfully integrate and utilize electronic commerce technologies and business practices. Agreed to amend the title; Pages H8079-81

Small Business Regulatory Assistance: H.R. 4946, amended, to amend the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a pilot program to provide regulatory compliance assistance to small business concerns;

Pages H8081–84

Export Working Capital Loan Improvement: H.R. 4944, to amend the Small Business Act to permit the sale of guaranteed loans made for export purposes before the loans have been fully disbursed to borrowers;

Pages H8084–86

Violence Against Women Act: H.R. 1248, amended, to prevent violence against women (passed by a yea and nay vote of 415 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 491);

Pages H8086-H8105, H8106-07

25th Anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act: H.J. Res. 100, calling upon the President to issue a proclamation recognizing the 25th anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act (debated on Monday, Sept. 25 and passed by a yea and nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 492);

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Beaches Environmental Assessment, Cleanup, and Health Act: Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 999, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of coastal recreation waters—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H8132–36

Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa: H.R. 3745, amended, to authorize the addition of certain parcels to the Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa; Pages H8136–37

Historic Lighthouse Preservation: H.R. 4613, amended, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act for purpose of establishing a national historic lighthouse preservation program; Pages H8137–40

National Trails System Amendments: H.R. 2267, amended, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails;

Pages H8140-41

Lincoln County, Nevada Land Act: H.R. 2752, amended, to give Lincoln County, Nevada, the right to purchase at fair market value certain public land located within that county. Agreed to amend the title;

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Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Amendments: H.R. 5036, amended, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 to clarify the areas included in the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park and to authorize appropriations for that park;

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Expansion of Gettysburg National Park to Include Wills House Where President Lincoln Edited His Gettysburg Address: S. 1324, to expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include Wills House—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H8144-46

United States Relationship with Native Hawaiians: H.R. 4904, amended, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians. Agreed to amend the title;

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George Washington Memorial Parkway, Virginia Land Exchange: H.R. 4835, to authorize the exchange of land between the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of Central Intelligence at the George Washington Memorial Parkway in McLean, Virginia;

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Protection of Infants Who Are Born Alive: H.R. 4292, amended, to protect infants who are born alive (a yea and nay vote of 380 yeas to 15 nays with 3 voting "present", Roll No. 495); Pages H8154-62

Peace Process in Northern Ireland—Urging the Implementation of the Patten Commission Report on Policing: H. Res. 547, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the peace process in Northern Ireland; Pages H8163-76

Loan Forgiveness for Teachers: H.R. 5034, to expand loan forgiveness for teachers; Pages H8180-84

Congratulating Home Educators and Home Schooled Students: H. Res. 578, congratulating home educators and home schooled students across the Nation for their ongoing contributions to education and for the role they play in promoting and ensuring a brighter, stronger future for this Nation;

Pages H8184–88

American Buffalo Coin Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 4259, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the National Museum of the American Indian of the Smithsonian Institution; Pages H8188–91

Coin Clarification Act: H.R. 5273, to clarify the intention of the Congress with regard to the authority of the United States Mint to produce numismatic coins.

Pages H8191–92

Suspensions Proceedings Postponed—Opposition to Unilateral Declaration of a Palestinian State: Proceedings were postponed on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 5272, amended, to provide for a United States response in the event of a unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state.

Pages H8176-79

Suspension Failed—Small Business Liability Relief: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 5175, amended, to provide relief to small businesses from liability under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (with ½ required for passage, failed to pass by a yea and nay vote of 253 yeas to 161 nays, Roll No. 494).

Pages H8123–32, H8154

Consideration of Measures on Wednesday, Sept. 27: Agreed that it be in order at any time on Wednesday, September 27 for the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules and pass or adopt the following measures: H.R. 1795, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering Establishment; H.R. 2641, Technical Corrections to Title X of the Energy Policy Act; H.R. 2346, Enforcement of FCC Regulations on the Use of Citizens Band Radio Equipment; H. Res. 576, Childhood Cancer Awareness, Treatment, and Research; S. 1295, Designation of the Lance Corporal Harold Gomez Post Office in East Chicago, Indiana. Further agreed that it be in order to direct the Clerk to call up the bill H.R. 3100, Know Your Caller Act, on Pages H8179-80 the Corrections Calendar.

Correction of Enrollment: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 409, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 1654, NASA Authorization Act.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H8063.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on pages H8067–68, H8105–06, H8106, H8106–07, H8107–08, H8123, H8154, and H8162. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:53 p.m.

Committee Meetings COUNTRY-OF-ORIGIN MEAT LABELING ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture held a hearing on H.R. 1144, Country-of-Origin Meat Labeling Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Senator Johnson; Caren A. Wilcox, Deputy Under Secretary, Food Safety, USDA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1798, Clinical Research Enhancement Act of 1999; H.R. 762, amended, Lupus Research and Care Amendments of 1999; and H.R.

5291, amended, Beneficiary Improvement and Protection Act of 2000.

IMPORTANCE OF LITERACY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on the Importance of Literacy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Federal Prison Industries (FPI): Diverting Federal Property from the Computers for Learning and Other Programs to Expand FPI's Commercial Sales. Testimony was heard from Victor Arnold-Bic, Acting Director, Property Management Division, Federal Supply Services, GSA; Sherry Low, Chief, Reutilization, Transfer, and Donation Business Unit, Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service, Defense Logistics Agency, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MISSING WHITE HOUSE E-MAILS

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing on "Contacts Between Northrup Grumman Corporation and the White House Regarding Missing White House E-Mails." Testimony was heard from Alan Gershel, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

WILDLAND FIREFIGHTERS PAY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Wildland Firefighters Pay: Are There Inequities? Testimony was heard from Representatives Pombo and Udall of New Mexico; Henry Romero, Associate Director, Workforce Compensation and Performance, OPM; and a public witness.

PEACE THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS ACT; U.N. INSPECTIONS OF IRAQ'S WEAPONS

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered the following bill and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that it be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 5272, amended, Peace Through Negotiations Act of 2000.

The Committee also held a hearing on U.N. Inspections of Iraq's Weapons of Mass Destruction Program: Has Saddam Won? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 5018, Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 2000; and H.R. 2121, Secret Evidence Repeal Act of 1999.

The Committee also approved private relief bills.